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DECEMBER 28 AFTERNOON PAPERS HAVE QUOTED FOLLOWING STATEMENT
BY KIM CHONG-HA, CHIEF SECRETARY TO HOUSE SPEAKER ON US/ROK
RELATIONS.

QUOTE

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY PEACEFUL UNIFICATION COUNCIL HAS AGREED
ON THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

A. THAT AS WAS DEMONSTRATED IN THE BUGGING CASE AND THE KIM
SANG KEUN CASE, WE MUST CONTINUOUSLY PROTECT OUR SOVEREIGNTY,
INDEPENDENCE AND NATIONAL INTEREST BY TAKING NECESSARY ACTIONS
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THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS WHENEVER THERE ARE INSTANCES
OF UNREASONABLE CONDUCT BY THE U.S.

B. WE HOPE THE U.S. WILL NOTE THE ABOVE, SO THAT TRADITIONAL
TIES WILL NOT BE DAMAGED IN FUTURE SHOULD SIMILAR ISSUES
ARISE.

C. IT IS REGRETTED THAT SOME U.S. MEDIA PRINTED GROUNDLESS, IRRESPONSIBLE REPORTS CONNECTING OUR HEAD OF STATE TO THE INFLUENCE-BUYING CASE, AND ATTACKED OUR OWN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY DIPLOMACY, THE PURPOSE OF WHICH IS PURELY TO PROMOTE BINATIONAL FRIENDSHIP.

D. WE EXPECT THE U.S. MEDIA TO BE MORE PRUDENT AND RESPONSIBLE IN REPORTING ON KOREA.
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